

COAL TRUST TO BE NEXT LEGAL VICTIM

Action Planned Similar to
Course Against Packers.

BILL IN EQUITY TO BE DRAWN

Attorney General Knox Instructed by the
President to Make Thorough Investigation
and Proceed Against the Big
Combine.

The Department of Justice will soon institute a move against the combination of railroad and mining magnates which controls the output of coal. The question was discussed at the Cabinet meeting yesterday, and it is stated on high authority that the President has directed the Attorney General to proceed with an investigation against the big combine.

While the Attorney General has not been instructed to draw a bill in equity against the coal trust, it is understood that this method will be pursued. The President is declared to have reached a point in his investigation of the subject which assures him that the combination which controls the output of coal is in opposition to the Sherman anti-trust law.

From the United States attorneys in the coal regions Attorney General Knox has received, it is stated, evidence tending to show that the combination is fully as much in restraint of trade as the beef trust, or any other combination in this country.

Many Complaints Filed.

The complaints which have been received by the President and Attorney General Knox have increased in intensity as the situation in the coal regions has become more critical. There is no central organization to be struck, as was the case in the merger. The capitalists of the five largest railroads which penetrate the coal regions are alleged to control the greater portion of the coal fields. Their methods are declared to be most atrocious.

According to the complaints received in Washington, the magnates at the head of the trust, who will probably, when proceedings are instituted, figure as the "Big Five," just as the "Big Six" figured in the proceedings against the beef trust, control practically all the railroad trackage in the coal fields. They determine each month what the output for the ensuing month shall be. It is decided just how much each operator shall produce. Such an agreement, of course, proves satisfactory to the parties to the trust. It does not to individual operators.

Restraint of Trade.

But it is on this point that the enemies of the trust hope to make their point. They claim that evidence can be produced to show that the railroad owners dictate to the individual operators just how much they shall produce and the individual operators dare not make a greater output, lest they will not be provided with the cars to place the coal on the market. This, if it can be proven, is said to be an obvious violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Nothing official in regard to the matter could be learned at the Department of Justice today.

AMERICAN TROOPS LEAVE MATANZAS

Official Notification by Mayor Promulgated at War Department.

The War Department this morning promulgated the following letter written by the mayor of Matanzas, Cuba, to Gen. Leonard Wood:

Ayuntamiento de Matanzas, Presidencia, Matanzas, April 25, 1902.
To Major Gen. Leonard Wood, Military Governor of Cuba, Havana.

Sir: The American troops that were stationed at this city sailed homeward yesterday, therefore bringing to an end in this province the glorious intervention undertaken by your Government.

The demonstration of sympathy and gratefulness made by the people of Matanzas in their farewell to them, shows the gratitude of the Cubans for the benefits which so open-hearted have been bestowed upon, by your nation.

At a public meeting held by the city council in the evening of the same day, it was resolved: To the honor of the satisfaction felt by the council seeing that the people of Matanzas, in looking back into the period of this intervention, have understood the highness of that intervention and know how to feel grateful for the action of the United States. It was resolved: To state how highly it did please, the correctness observed by the American army in the fulfillment of their delicate and humane commission.

It pleases me to make you acquainted with the fact, and I have the honor to remain, very respectfully,
D. LECUNA,
Mayor of the City of Matanzas.
A true copy: H. L. SCOTT, Adj. Gen.

ATTEMPT TO TAKE LIFE OF KWANG SU

Bullet Whistled Over Head of Chinese
Emperor.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 14.—Japanese papers received record an attempt to assassinate Kwang Su, Emperor of China, on April 2, as he was proceeding in the direction of Nan Puan. A bullet whistled over his head. It is rumored that it was fired by a foreign soldier.

The Emperor was badly frightened. The Emperor Dowager has expressed a wish to retire. It is said she will spend the rest of her life in solitude at Iwa Yuen.

NOTORIETY DELAYED MISS STONE'S RELEASE

Consul General Dickinson Arrives and
Comments on the Case.

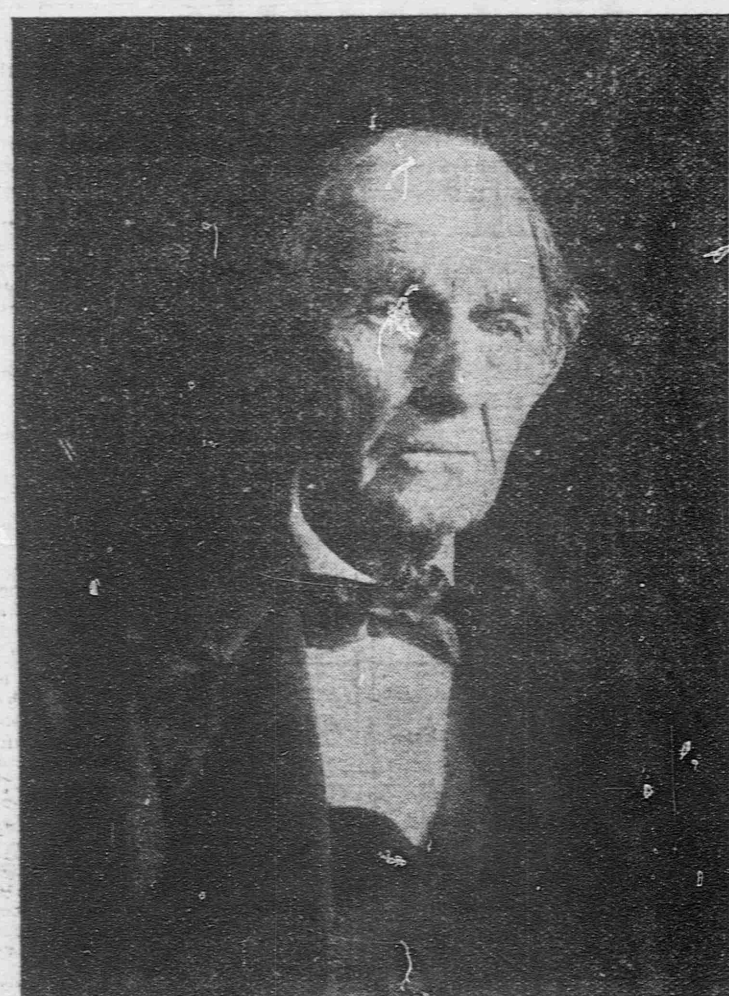
NEW YORK, May 14.—C. M. Dickinson, of Birmingham, the United States consul general at Constantinople and the special envoy who negotiated with the Bulgarians for the release of Miss Stone, the missionary captured by brigands, is here from Europe on a short vacation.

All he would say about the Stone case yesterday was that altogether too much had been said when the matter was pending, and that the missionary's release would have been secured in less time and for less money if the matter had been kept quiet.

Further effort is to be made, General Dickinson added, to fix the responsibility for the seizure of Miss Stone.

Among the Amateur Players.

The Ashburn baseball team has organized for the season and would like to hear from all players having an average of seven years' experience. Challenges should be addressed to B. H. Reed, 310 F Street northwest, or L. A. O'Neill, manager, 902 Third Street, northwest.



WALTER LINKINS.

The remains of Mr. Walter Linkins, one of Washington's oldest and best-known citizens, who died yesterday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. D. Ryan, 1527 Oak Street northwest, will be laid to rest tomorrow morning in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Funeral services will be held at his daughter's residence at 11 o'clock. Rev. Father McGee, of the Church of the Sacred Heart, will conduct the services of the Roman Catholic Church. The pallbearers will be Messrs. Charles Elin, Columbus Elin, Richard Johnson, and William Holmes.

Although ninety-four years old, Mr. Linkins possessed remarkable strength and vigor. Up to the time of his death he suffered from no organic diseases, the closing of his life being due purely to a gradual decay of vitality, which made itself manifest only within the past year. Until a few days ago he was able to walk unaided about the portion of Mount Pleasant in which he made his home. He was only forced to take to his bed a very short time before the end came. His death came unexpectedly to a large circle

ORDERS GIVEN TO SHOOT ALL GHOULISH LOOTERS

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diers were on duty guarding them. Praxisions were scarce. Thousands of people were flocking to the city. The Potomac carried a large quantity of supplies and landed them here.

Business in the city is entirely suspended.

Scenes in Hospitals.

Your correspondent visited the military and civil hospitals. These institutions were filled with men, women, and children who had been burned by the eruptions. Their appearance was horrible and appalling. The flesh had been burned from their bodies and their faces were unrecognizable. Some of the bodies were charred and the bones exposed. Margaret Stokes, aged nine, the only survivor of her family, which was on board the steamship Roraima when she was burned up, is in a pitiful condition. She is the daughter of Clement Stokes, of New York, and with her mother, brother, sister, and a nurse, were on the Roraima. The nurse, Clara King, tells this story:

"We were in the cabin when the steward called us to see the mountain in eruption. At the same moment a great cloud of dust and ashes was seen, and the steward yelled a warning." The nurse goes on to describe the terrible sensation and choking feeling which was followed by the burning of the vessel. This happened before breakfast, and there was no time to escape, as the ship was afire. The carpenter, Ben Benson, who was severely burned, and the rest of the crew awaited their escape. One of the crew, Mate Scott, was the bravest of the lot. He placed life preservers on the women and children, and brought water to them to drink, and bathed their burns. Mrs. Stokes, who was weak and fainting, died.

Only Survivor Dies.

The French cruiser Suchet rescued two girls, the nurse, Clara King, and two women. The girls and the women died on board the warship. Dr. Verne, who was attending the patients, lost forty-two of his relatives. The injured were brought here from French, Carbet, St. Denis, Petit Anse, and other places.

The only person who escaped the rain of fire in St. Pierre was a negro named Flotte, who was found three days after the disaster in a cellar, badly burned. She was taken to a hospital, where she died. When found she could speak coherently for about five minutes, but her story was not heeded in the excitement. She had been three days in the cellar without food and without attendance.

Description of Eruption.

LONDON, May 14.—The colonial office received this dispatch from Sir Frederick Mitchell, governor of Barbados, at 6:15 last night:

"The colonial secretary and party have just returned from Martinique and report:

"La Pelee began erupting on May 3, becoming very active on May 6. On May 7 the governor proceeded to St. Pierre for the purpose of reassuring the people, no danger being apprehended. About 7:30 on May 8, so far as can be ascertained, a tremendous outbreak occurred, accompanied by a sudden explosion of ignited matter which might be compared to burning molten wax. This matter in a short time completely destroyed everything within an area of ten miles by six."

The Governor then adds a description of the scene, which has already been published, and continues: "Persons on the northern side of the island are taking refuge at Port de France, where the relief is organizing. The cruiser Suchet is

of friends among the old citizens of Washington.

Mr. Linkins was born in Charles county, Md., July 16, 1808. His early education was received in the schools near his home, and at the age of twenty-one he came to this city and took up his residence. Shortly after coming here he became identified with numerous business enterprises, and in time became one of the District's most prominent business men. For seventy-three years he was closely identified with business circles here. He engaged in the coal business and made a considerable fortune. At one time his family owned almost all of the old First Ward.

One of his most important works was the cutting and grading fifty years ago of what are now the busiest thoroughfares of the Capital. During the days before the government of the District was placed in the hands of Congress Mr. Linkins took a prominent part in politics, and figured especially conspicuously in the exciting local campaign resulting in the election of Mayor Magruder.

Mr. Linkins is survived by one daughter—Mrs. Ryan.

carrying refugees and getting supplies.

The acting governor, and the people are very grateful for the food supplies which are urgently required. The service of medical officers is not required. There were no wounded. It is estimated that 2,500,000 tons of dust from St. Vincent fell in the Barbados.

LIQUOR LICENSES AT CHESAPEAKE JUNCTION

Granted Five Firms in Spite of Opposi-

Five firms have been granted licenses to sell liquor at Chesapeake Junction, despite the efforts of certain elements of the place to prevent it. The evils of this action become apparent now that there is a strong probability of the establishment of a school in the Junction. A delegation of citizens visited Upper Marlboro yesterday to get an opinion on the possibility of preventing the establishment of the school in the vicinity of the saloons. There is, however, no law to prevent it.

DEMOCRATS TO MEET.

The Congressional Committee to Discuss
Some Routine Business.

There will be a meeting of the Democratic Congressional Committee tonight to transact some routine business, and also to announce the appointment of the executive, the finance, and the campaign committee of eleven, which Chairman Griggs was authorized to appoint at the last meeting of the committee. The question of a headquarters for the campaign committee will also be discussed.

WEAVERS RETURN TO WORK.

SOUTH MANCHESTER, Conn., May 14.—Cheney Brothers posted notices yesterday stating that their mills would resume operations this morning if the weavers desired to return to work, otherwise the mills would be closed indefinitely. The mill owners granted no concessions. The weavers were on hand this morning and the mills resumed work. The strike began over a month ago. The weavers demanded a higher schedule per piece for their work.

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IMPORTANT OIL LANDS IN LEGAL CONTROVERSY

Secretary Hitchcock Files Answer in Riverside Case.

Original Owner Not Vested With Proper
Patent, the Interior Department
Contends.

The Secretary of the Interior appeared through District Attorney Ashley M. Gould and Assistant District Attorney Henry H. Glasie today and filed his answer to the petition for mandamus filed by the Riverside Oil Company, of California, to compel the issuance of patents for certain lands in that State.

The lands to which the oil company claims title, through C. W. Clarke, are said to be very valuable, and are estimated to be worth in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000. It appears from the papers in the case that Clarke, being the owners of two tracts of land inclosed in a forest reservation, selected in lieu of them two other tracts in the oil region of California. Whether Clarke knew that these tracts were valuable for oil is uncertain, but in the affidavit used in such cases he struck out the words "No occupation of said lands adverse to the selection thereof and no portion claimed for mining purposes under the local customs or rules of miners."

Shortly after Clarke's selection was filed the Kern Oil Company entered a protest on the ground that it was already in occupation of the tracts under a discovery and location of mining claims known as the "June Bug" and "Fossil" claims, and was working and developing them.

The Land Office decides that even if the entry of the Kern Oil Company had been subsequent to Clarke's, nevertheless his selection would fail, because the land had been found to be mineral land, and so not open to selection except as a genuine mining claim.

On appeal taken to the Secretary by the Riverside Oil Company, which had bought Clarke's claim, it was decided that though the Land Office was wrong on this point, Clarke's selection was valid, as of the date when made, because at that time he did not comply with the requirements of the statute by showing in his affidavit that the land was not occupied under the usages or customs of miners, and that no subsequent act could make it good because it had meanwhile been discovered that the lands were mineral lands and so not subject to duty.

On rehearing the case was argued by the Hon. Jefferson Chandler and other distinguished counsel for Clarke's company, but the Secretary adhered to the ruling. The Riverside Oil Company then brought its petition for mandamus. In the Secretary's answer the various steps of the proceedings are set forth and the legal grounds for holding that no title vested in Clarke at the time of the selection are shown in detail. The Secretary insisting that by reason of Clarke's failure to bring himself within the statute it was not just for the Secretary to issue a patent for the lands claimed by the two rival companies.

PROTEST AGAINST A WILL.

Forgery and Undue Influence Alleged in
Claybourne Case.

George Claybourne, Henry Claybourne, and Hattie Alexander today filed a protest against the admission of the will of Mrs. Susan Claybourne to probate. It is stated that the testament was executed only three days before the death of Mrs. Claybourne at which time, it is declared, she was not of sound and disposing mind. It is also alleged that the document offered for probate is a forgery, and was procured by undue influence, misrepresentation, and artifice.

With the exception of a bequest to the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, and \$200 to Millie Ruff, the executors state that the testatrix stated that the remainder of her estate should revert to them.

MISSING CASHIER FOUND.

Man Who Left \$26,000 Shortage Placed
Under Arrest.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Harry C. Bell, the young man who until March 28 last, was receiving teller of the Riverside Bank, and who disappeared at that time, leaving a shortage of \$26,000 in the bank's accounts, was arrested in Philadelphia. He was much surprised at seeing Detective Bell, who had been sent to arrest him. He made no attempt to conceal his identity.

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BAD ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

District Authorities Explain That the
Trouble Is Being Corrected.

Mr. W. A. Knapp, of 2507 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest, recently wrote to the District Commissioners stating that the electric lights on Pennsylvania Avenue, from Eighteenth Street westward are very unsatisfactory and he requested that they be inspected with a view to the betterment.

Mr. Thomas J. Fisher, Inspector of Electric Lighting, has submitted a statement relative to the matter, in which he says:

"On April 26 the lamps on circuit 15 were changed to the latest improved style of enclosed lamps. The machines for running these lamps were found to have been sent from the factory improperly wound and that caused trouble from the start. The new lamps carry about twenty-five more volts than the old lamp and this tended to overload the cable which caused the lamps to 'burn out.' Both of these troubles were unforeseen and as soon as they appeared the company took immediate steps to remedy them."

"This circuit has been put on other machines which are now working satisfactorily. Several hundred feet of new cable has been installed, and as there has been no other report of trouble since May 2, I am of the opinion that the circuit is now in good condition and that very little trouble will occur in the future."

"I recommend that the complainant be informed that the company has been actively engaged since the first trouble was discovered trying to overcome the same; that the lights in use being a new style of service there has naturally been a little dimming, but the company gives assurance that the line is now in good condition and that there will be no further cause of complaint."

The Commissioners have approved the report and Mr. Knapp will be informed accordingly.

OPPOSE LINTHICUM BILL.

The Commissioners Think the Property
Should Be Taxed.

The District Commissioners have submitted to the House District Committee their report on House bill 13,952, "A bill exempting the property of the Linthicum Institute from taxation."

"Property belonging to the Linthicum Institute," say the Commissioners, "as assessed at \$37,520, being buildings and grounds actually used for educational purposes, is now carried on the District records exempt from taxation. The proposed legislation would relieve from all taxes accrued since 1891, and hereafter to accrue, upon property the assessed value of which is \$16,200. This property consists of buildings which are rented to tenants and constitute a source of income to the institute."

"While the Commissioners would be very glad to do anything which would aid this institution in a proper way, yet they doubt the wisdom of the policy which would relieve from taxes income-producing property held for the purpose of aiding institutions of religion or learning. They believe that the enactment of the proposed legislation would make a precedent which would lead to infinite trouble in the future."

"The Commissioners, therefore, deem it their duty to recommend that this legislation be not favorably considered."

REINTERMENT OF GEN. ROSECRANS' REMAINS

General Boynton Officially Notifies the
Commissioners of the Obsequies.

Gen. Henry V. Boynton, corresponding secretary of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, has notified the District Commissioners that the reinterment of the remains of the late Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, long the commander of the Army of the Cumberland, will take place in Arlington Cemetery, under the auspices of the society on May 17.

The Commissioners are invited to attend the services and it is understood that the board will send one or more representatives.

APRIL WORK OF THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

Fewer Applications for Assistance as
Spring Comes.

The report of the general secretary of the Associated Charities for the month of April, presented at yesterday's meeting of the board of managers, showed that the total number of applications for assistance during the month was 634, as compared with 1,975 in the previous month and 619 in the corresponding month last year. These 634 applications represent 466 separate families—165 white and 241 colored. Of this number 109 were reported as new cases, all the others having been known to the society, heretofore. Two hundred and twenty-six investigations were made by the agents; nine persons reported were found to have given false addresses; eleven investigations were made at the request of societies in other cities. Relief was procured for a total number of 268 families. Thirty persons applied for work only, and employment was found for 27; temporary employment for 23, and permanent employment for 4. Transportation was procured for five persons to friends or relatives outside the city. Eight persons were placed in institutions, six for temporary treatment, and two for permanent care.

The agents during the month in the work of investigation, collecting savings, asking information concerning poor families, etc., made a total number of 1,389 visits. The total amount deposited in the savings fund was \$141, as compared with \$75.10 in the previous month, and with \$145.30 in the corresponding month last year.

To Greet the President.

William E. Curtis today made arrangements for President Roosevelt to arrive on Friday the members of the Harvard Chapter Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, who are attending the annual convention in this city. The President is a member. He will be unable to attend the banquet on Friday, but will send them a letter.

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The \$10, \$12.50 and \$15 Suit-Grades

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It is not an advertising statement but an actual, conceded fact—that Saks Clothing is vastly superior to all other makes. The reasons for it are plain and well understood. So competition for us is our present achievement against the productions of the past. And it is vigorous and aggressive competition—in which the present wins. Our patrons are wearing this season the finest clothing that has ever been produced—ready-for-wear or to-order. The three grades that are most popular—\$10, \$12.50, and \$15—are larger in variety than ever; and choicer in value than ever—consequently are greater favorites than ever. There's no chance in legitimate business. Success follows merit. And there's the merit in these three grades that counts you a saving—an actual dollar-and-cent saving.

Our \$10 Suits are BETTER Suits than you can find at \$12.50 elsewhere—and we can't not with whose nor where you make your comparisons.

Every one of our \$12.50 Suits is a BETTER value than \$15 offers elsewhere.

Every one of our \$15 Suits is a BETTER Suit than's to be bought for \$18 elsewhere.

Wherein they are better—in the grade of the fabrics used; in the manner of making; the styles in which they are designed; in the fit; in the finish—in every way—from every point of view and every standard.

The choice that's offered at \$10, \$12.50, and \$15 is as wide as the variety of fashion itself—Blue Serges, Black Cheviots and Thibets, Fancy Mixed Cheviots, Cassimeres, and Homespun; Oxford Cheviots; Black and White Mixtures—Three and Four-button Single Breasted Sacks; the Straight-front Two-button Single Breasted Sacks; the correct Two-button Double Breasted Sacks, and Norfolk.

Whatever your size—you can be fitted in all three grades.

Boys' Clothing.

We've two lots of Boys' Short Pants Suits to offer tomorrow, the price of which in both cases understates the value. Real bargains.

150 Boys' Double-breasted and Novelty Short Pants Suits, in plain and fancy colorings—fast colors, made with taped seams and reinforced throughout. With some are two pairs of pants. All sizes \$1.95 and all regular \$3 values.

150 Boys' Double-breasted Short Pants Suits in plain Blue Serge and fancy Mixed Cheviots and Homespun; all wool, of course, and fast colors. Every suit in this lot is worth \$4.50—\$3.45.

Men's and Women's \$2.45 \$4 Oxfords . . . \$2.45

A three days' special and important sale will begin tomorrow with these Oxfords. They are full \$4 values. They are stylish shapes; but there are not all sizes of every shape. There you have the secret of the under-value selling.

The Ladies' are Black Vic Kid, Russia Calf, Patent Leather, and Patent Kid Ties and Colonial Strap Oxfords. Welt and turn shoes, with extension or close-trimmed edges; Cuban, military and colonial heels.

The Men's are Black Vic Kid, Box Calf, Patent Leather and Patent Kid Oxfords, with single or double soles; regular and "rope" stitching; Straight-lace or Blucher cut; flange heels and latest fash.

Such a sale as this cuts considerable figure in the season's footwear money, doesn't it?

Genuine French finished Panama Hats, \$5.75

Here's where we give you another surprise, and the exotics hatters who make the most expensive Panama is superior to all the others; there's a process they have that's a secret—but it gives a whiteness and fineness that no other Panamas have.

We've just a hundred of these French-finished Panamas; with high-crown and wide-brimmed brims. \$8 is the very lowest they have ever been sold. \$5.75 is only for this special lot.

The best imitation of the genuine Panama is the Porto Rico